

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box →



PTO/SB/08A (08-00)

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Substitute for Form 1449A/PTO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT				Application Number	To be assigned 10/692,909
				Filing Date	Concurrently herewith
				First Named Inventor	Naoki TAJIMA et al
				Group Art Unit	To be assigned 2861
				Examiner Name	To be assigned Hai C. Pham
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	990587C3/LH

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

class/Subclass

Exam. Inits*	Cite No ¹	Document Number	Kind Code ²	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Relevant Portion
HP		4,427,284		DANNATT	01-24-1984	355/1
		4,586,782	A	SAKUMA et al	05-06-1986	359/212
		4,800,401		SATO et al	01-24-1989	347/242
		4,908,287	A	FUKUCHI et al	03-13-1990	430/58.05
		4,928,139		BARTON et al	05-22-1990	355/1
		5,072,244		AOKI et al	12-10-1991	347/116
		5,218,413	A	KANAI	06-08-1993	347/226
		5,302,973	A	COSTANZA et al	04-12-1994	347/233
		5,646,767	A	IIMA et al	07-08-1997	359/206
		5,739,830	A	JOHN et al	04-14-1998	347/49
		5,787,324	A	IWASAKI	07-28-1998	399/112
		5,953,164	A	ARNONE et al	09-14-1999	359/818
		6,232,991	B1	APPEL	05-15-2001	347/137

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Exam Inits [*]	Cite No ¹	Offc ³	Document Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁵	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Relevant Portion	T ⁶
HP		JP	3-168715		RICOH KOGAKU KK	07-22-1991		*
			*English language Abstract only.					

Examiner Signature	Hai C. Pham	Date Considered	4/6/04
--------------------	-------------	-----------------	--------

* EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Unique citation designation number. ² See kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Place a check here if English translation is attached.

DATE MAILED: October 24, 2003